Q18: Can NASA make a pass/fail assessment of OCI before a potential offeror commits itself to spending the requisite time and money in preparing a full proposal?

A18: In regard to a pass/fail determination before the due date for proposal submission, NASA cannot make such a determination. In addressing OCI issues, NASA will follow agency guidance as documented in the NASA Guide on Organizational Conflict of Interest (Mar. 2010). NASA will be providing feedback to the potential offerors on their responses to Mod#2 and Mod#7 regarding OCI before the due date for proposal submission. Further, an OCI Mitigation Plan will be required as part of an offeror's proposal and evaluated in accordance to the requirements in the RFP. The Government reserves the right to communicate with an offeror concerning its OCI Mitigation Plan at anytime during the Government's evaluation process.

Q19: How many task orders are currently active on the contract?

A19: The JSC FOIA website has an updated list of active delivery orders and task orders. Please view the acquisition website to see the FOIA link.

JETS acquisition website: http://procurement.jsc.nasa.gov/jets/

Q20: What is the annual volume of task orders?

A20: The annual volume of task orders and delivery orders depends on the quantity of work from the various projects and programs.

Q21: Do you have a task order management system that the contractor will be required to use?

A21: Currently, the Engineering and Science Contract (ESC) has the Engineering and Science contract Management Tool (ESCMT) to manage all task and delivery orders. For JETS, the Draft Request for Proposal (DRFP) will give more insight on the type of system the contractor is required to use.

Q22: Will there be a site visit to all of the facilities to be managed under the contract at the Pre-Proposal Conference?

A22: A site tour will be scheduled but not all facilities will be shown due to time constraints. The site tour will include facilities that are representative of the type of work that is expected on the JETS contract. Facilities were selected for the tour based on the technical complexity and capability of the facility as well as the amount of work expected to be performed in the facility.

Q23: What will be the effect on the number of union employees on JETS with the Engineering Fabrication Services (EFS) being a separate contract? How many union positions are on the current ESC contract and how many will be on the new Engineering Fabrication Services contract?

A23: For JETS, the Draft Request for Proposal (DRFP) will contain information regarding Wage Determination. The current number of union employees on ESC is approximately 240.

Since the number of union personnel to be employed in the future under the JETS contract will depend on each offeror's proposed approach(es) to managing or accomplishing work using personnel who may be represented by one or more unions, the Government unable to state today what effect separating the EFS from the JETS contract may have on the total number of union employees on the JETS contract. Please contact the EFS Contracting Officer for any information regarding the EFS procurement.

Q24: Has the current Engineering and Science Contract been extended to September 30, 2013?

A24: The Engineering and Science Contract has not been extended beyond January 31, 2013.

Q25: When will the black-out notice be issued?

A25: The black-out notice will be issued with the release of the Final RFP.